

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A motor driving device, comprising:

exciting current detectors for detecting exciting currents of motor windings of a motor;

an exciting current amplitude computation means for computing ~~an exciting current amplitude value or the square of said~~ an exciting current amplitude value from exciting current detection values detected by said exciting current detectors; and

a voltage impression unit for impressing voltages at values corresponding to said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value to the motor windings.
2. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 1, wherein said motor is a stepping motor, and said voltage impression unit feeds motor winding currents varying in the form of a sine wave every time an external command pulse is impressed.
3. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 2, wherein said motor winding currents are fed by a PWM inverter.

4. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 3, further comprising:

a current amplitude deviation detection means for computing a current amplitude deviation value representing a difference between a current amplitude command given from outside and said exciting current amplitude value;

current command computation means for computing current commands in the form of at least one of sine wave signal and cosine wave signal on the basis of an angle command given from outside; and

multiplication means for multiplying values corresponding to said current amplitude deviation value by said current commands,

wherein said voltage impression unit impresses voltages, corresponding to outputs of said multiplication means, to said motor windings.

5. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 4, wherein said motor is a two-phase stepping motor, and said current command computation means compute said current command in the form of a sine wave signal and said current command in the form of a cosine wave signal on the basis of said angle command.

6. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 4, wherein said motor is a stepping motor with not less than three phases, and said current command

computation means compute said current commands in the form of the sine wave signal on the basis of said angle command.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~The motor driving device, according to claim 3,~~
~~further comprising:~~ A motor driving device, comprising:

exciting current detectors for detecting exciting currents of motor windings of a motor;

an exciting current amplitude computation means for computing an exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value from exciting current detection values detected by said exciting current detectors; and

a voltage impression unit for impressing voltages at values corresponding to said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value to the motor windings;

a current amplitude deviation detection means for computing a current amplitude square deviation value representing a difference between the square of a current amplitude command given from outside and the square of said exciting current amplitude value;

current command computation means for computing current commands in the form of at least one of sine wave signal and cosine wave signal on the basis of an angle command given from outside; and

multiplication means for multiplying values corresponding to said current amplitude square deviation value by said current commands,

wherein said voltage impression unit impresses voltages, corresponding to outputs of said multiplication means, to said motor windings.

8. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 7, wherein said motor is a two-phase stepping motor, and said current command computation means compute said current command in the form of said sine wave signal and said current command in the form of said cosine wave signal on the basis of said angle command.

9. (Original) The motor driving device, according to claim 7, wherein said motor is a stepping motor with not less than three phases, and said current command computation means compute said current commands in the form of said sine wave signal on the basis of said angle command.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The motor driving device, according to claim 1,~~ A motor driving device, comprising:
exciting current detectors for detecting exciting currents of motor windings of a
motor;

an exciting current amplitude computation means for computing an exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value from exciting current detection values detected by said exciting current detectors; and

a voltage impression unit for impressing voltages at values corresponding to said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value to the motor windings;

wherein said motor is a two-phase stepping motor, said exciting current detectors detect said exciting currents of said motor windings for two phases, respectively, and said exciting current amplitude computation means finds the square root of the sum of the squares of said exciting current detection values for said two phases or the sum of the squares of said exciting current detection values for said two phases, thereby computing said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~The motor driving device, according to claim 1, A~~
motor driving device, comprising:

exciting current detectors for detecting exciting currents of motor windings of a
motor;

an exciting current amplitude computation means for computing an exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value from exciting current detection values detected by said exciting current detectors; and

a voltage impression unit for impressing voltages at values corresponding to said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value to the motor windings;

wherein said motor is a stepping motor with not less than three phases, said exciting current detectors detect said exciting currents of said motor windings for two phases, respectively, and said exciting current amplitude computation means executes coordinate transformation of said exciting current detection values for said two phases to find two transformed exciting current values, whereupon the square root of the sum of the squares of said two transformed exciting current values or the sum of the squares of said two transformed exciting current values is found, thereby computing said exciting current amplitude value or the square of said exciting current amplitude value.